

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **SB 1387 - HB 911**

March 21, 2001

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Requires truck tractors and semitrailers to operate in the right most lane of an interstate or multi-lane divided highway where the incline is a grade of 5% or greater except where one or more lanes is closed for maintenance or construction, where there is an intersection of multiple interstates, where compliance would not accord with other safety provisions in the law, or upon order of a law enforcement officer. This new offense would be a Class C misdemeanor under the provisions of T.C.A. 55-8-103.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Revenues - Not Significant**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$16,800 One-Time / Highway Fund**

**Increase Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**

**Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**

Estimate assumes:

- an increase in state expenditures for signs indicating, "Trucks Use Right Lane."
- there are approximately 100 miles of affected interstate.
- a sign will be placed every 5 miles for a total of 20 signs at a cost of \$840 per sign.
- impact depends upon the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting increased cost to local governments to confine such persons versus the increased revenues to the state from fines levied and collected under the provisions of this bill.
- the state receives revenue from fines in accordance with T.C.A. 55-10-303. Court clerks receive 5% commission.

NOTE: The Department of Transportation indicates 200 signs at \$840 per sign are needed to enforce the requirements of this bill.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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